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I was not out from choice that night

not a bit of it, for it was one of those nights that, when one has to be walk-

ing about outside, his principal idea is to get in again, to take off his wet shoes

and warm himself before the grate fire.

late, sometimes far into the morning, I

had, a short time before, moved down

of having to depend on the uncertainty

of the night cars. That is the reason, together with the fact that I had my

mackintosh buttoned up to my eyes and

my hat pulled far down, I missed the street I usually turned into to get to my

rooms and walked a block out of my way

before I discovered it. It was long after

was particularly dark and narrow and

the houses were mostly small, two-and-

a-half story affairs, of brick that had once

been red, with dirty marble steps pro-tected by rusty iron railings. They were all equal in grime and dreariness.

As I hurried along, very much disgusted

with myself for having gone out of my

a pipe organ suddenly made themselves felt under the noise of the sterm, low and solemn. I stopped full of wonderment, I

looked about for some structure large enough to contain the sound. There was

no church of heavy masenry, with solid stone dooways, with long arched windows,

which would have properly framed the music, and it did not seem possible that it could have come from any of the small

A heavy rush of wind drowned the sound

It came from one of the little houses. I

stopped in front of it still more amazed.

The somber tones of the second movement

in Chopin's famous sonata-his funeral march-came out to me. I got under the

shelter of the tree and listened, leaning

against the trunk, The shutters were open

I Stopped, Full of Wonderment

and there was no curtains to the windows.

of the march was being played. It swelled,

t rese, it thundered and crushed, and then it thundered and rumbled and died down

I drew in a long breath and sighed,

and then wondered why I had done so. For the moment I forgot to be surprised

that it was being played at such an

hour, but instead simply wondered who it was who could get such human tones

out of it. I gazed at the window

been playing.

A weazened face appeared at one of

the windows-that of an old man, with

did it slowly, regardless of the storm. I heard the bolt slide into the socket

and then he appeared at the other win

dow and closed in the shutters there,

Next morning I began to speculate

as to why he was playing the march at that hour, till I got my curiosity

but he did not seem to notice me.

and censed.

buildings ahead of me.

The street I did turn down

town, so that I could walk home instead

Because my work kept me out very

PART L

The World of Business.

Wall Street Yesterday.

New York, March 24.-Depression characterized trading at the Stock Exchange during the greater part of the day, the recent decision by the United States Su-preme Court in the Trans-Missouri Freight Association case having created a de-cidedly bearish feeling on securities. Reports that several Western roads were ready to withdraw from various freight and passenger associations, in accordance with the Supreme Court ruling, started heavy liquidations in the shares of the roads referred to. These issues were most sunced in the downward movement, and at one time showed losses of 2a2 5-8 per cent. Rock Island, and Burlington and Quincy bore the brunt of the attack. The general list declined anywhere from 1-2 to 21-4 per cent. Tennessee Coal, Louisand Nashville, Hig Four, Western Union and Southern Railway leading. London houses at first bought, but subsequently turned sellers, and the liquidation by the foreigners finally carried Louis ville and Nashville down to 45 3-4. The holders to sell, and the execution of stop loss orders accelerated the down-

In the industrials Sugar fell to 111 1-2 on increased dealings. Chicago Gas, in sympathy with the general market, receded about a point, but at the decline supporting orders were forthcoming, and the loss was partially recovered. In the final transactions the bears made efforts to turn paper profits into cash, and under the a sharp rally ensued. Jersey Central and Lake Shore were the leaders. Jersey Central rose from 84 3-4 to 87 1-4 and Lake Shore from 166 to 168. The GOVERNMENT BONDS strength of Jersey Central was due to th which showed an unexpected gain in n earnings of over \$30,000. As a result of the rise in the stock named, the mark closed firm. Transactions were unusual beavy, aggregating 335,731 shares, o which 51,300 were St. Pagi. 38,900 Sugar 37,600 Burlington and Quincy, and 17,60 Chicago Gas. Net changes showed decline of 1-4al 3-8 per cent. Manhattan, Jerse Central and New York Central gained 1-8a 1 1-2 per cent. In the specialties Minue-sota Iron dropped 4 to 38 1-2.

The bond market was weak today. The sales footed up \$1,566,000. Atchison General 4s, fell 1-2, to 82 1-2; Baltimore and Ohio 5s, 2, to 92; Brooklyn Rapid Transit 5s, 7-8, to 79 1-2; Chesapeake and Ohio General 4 1-2s, 1 1-2, to 73; Chicago and Northern Pacific first 5s, 1 1-4, to 41 1-2; Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Con., assented 7s, 1 1-2, to 95; New York, Susquebanna, and Western firsts, refunding 5s, 1. to 102; Oregon Short Line, Con., 5s, 1, to 76; Peoria and Eastern, Con., 4s, 1, to 72; Reading General 4s, 7-8, to 80 1-2; do., first preferred incomes, 2 1-2, to 41; do., seconds. 1 3-4, to 30; New Jersey Central, reg., 5s, 1 1-4, to 110 1-4; and St. Paul, General, 4s, series A, 1 1-2 to 101. In Government bonds, \$150,000, coupon, 4s. of 1995, sold at 123 1-4a123 3-8, and \$5,000, reg., 4s, of 1907, at 111 1-8.

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| Bilver | practically setting at rest all chances of |
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Pilinderphia Traction. The street is apparently not as yet fully decided how serious a matter the Supreme Court decision in the Trans-Missouri Railroad case is. Some good lawyers are inclined to limit its scope materially. Others say that no railroad pools can exist under such a decision. The decision is still used as a fine bear argument by those who think that the market is too high, and that it may be forced down considerably yet. This was shown in the trading yesterday. It seems to be the general opinion, or at least the opinion of a good many of the people who are usually well informed, that the market will go off further yet. Mr. Bunter, of Hunter, Cooper & Co., correspondents of Gurley & Barross, is of the opinion that the built market has been badly hurt; that the temporary small rises in stocks yesterday were short covering, and that it will not be well to be on the long side of stocks

There is very good reason to believe that the Manhattan people will not immedi is said that if the company waits awhile the prices of electrical apparatus of al kinds, still rather high, has considerable margin for decline. Dow, Jones & Co. say that travel on the Manhattan road during the last few days has shown quite an May..... July CORN. improvement as compared with last year On Monday of this week were carried 18, 600 passengers more than were carried a

The trade agreement between the distillers has been signed by all but one of the companies, the Mill Creck distillery May...... July...... LARD. of Cincinnati. I understand that there is reason to believe this company will be brought into line, and that everything is the bear future

The report of the Sugar company, while upon its face most unfavorable, does not in the opinion of several of the sugar charps, indicate much of anything in reality except that the sugar trust does not want to appear too prosperous at just this time. The figures of the report were made up to comply with the Massachu setts law rather than for the purpose of making a clear and full exhibit of the business of the company. The first reading of the report seems to show that it has lost five or six million dollars during the last year. It was on this report that Bugar had its bad drop yesterday, and also on the stories floating around the street that the sugar people feel very bad about their prospects under the new

to Washington and studied the tariff sit-uation. I do not see anything to prevent the tariff bill becoming a law if it passes the Senate. After it has passed the House the stock will sell under 100." As to this prediction, that Sugar will sell at 100, one would hardly like to dispute the opinion of a gentleman on the inside, and it seems to a good many people that par is really quite likely to be reached by the stock during the tariff discussion. But Sugar will continue to earn its 12 per cent, as it surely has, despite the report,

a figure to look for in Sugar stock. Perhaps 105 may be reached and the figures at the close compared with those of three days ago, are rather dis

and the stock will have another good boom as soon as the discussion is over

and a law passed and undisputable, I am told. Probably, however, 100 is too low

Rock Island has declared the regular 1-2 per cent dividend, payable May 1. But the stock was off badly nevertheless.

heartening to people who have been buy-

Lindblom, Mr. Silsby's correspondent, is of the opinion that July wheat should be sold short on all bulges, and that if there

is any merit in wheat at all it is in May. Washington Stock Market, Sales-Washington Gas, 10 at 44 5-8; 75 at 44 1-4; 50 at 44; United States Elec-

tric Light, 10 at 88; Lincoln Fire Insurance, 50 at 8 5-8; Columbia Title Insurance, 45 After Call-United States Electric Light,

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N. TI NAL BA K STOCKS.

European troubles. The "puts" served to check the declining inclination, however,

Louis sent forward the usual number of crop

damage stories, but did not back them up with any forceful buying orders. Receipts

against 231 last Wednesday, and 522 a

year ago. This movement is looked upor

as being the more surprising in view of

the claims, but recently made, this that section would require all the wheat it reld

for seeding purposes.
Chicago received twelve cars and in-

spected out 34,345 bushels. Closing Paris

cables were unchanged to higher, Berlin

lower, and Autwerp unchanged. May wheat opened from 731-4 to 731-8a

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wheat was easy, and 1-2c per bushel lower. Receipts at principal Western

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and the close was on these privileges.

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was ready to relent, but Barnes pushed the case after being armed with a warrant. An indictment was found and March 12 Groves was found at Norfolk, Va., and properly to this city for trial.

When examined yesterday Mrs. Bischoff was a very reluctant witness for the conernment. She testified that she would not have obtained a warrant, but for the reclared, "I don't accuse Groves now of stealing the coat, but he took it without my permission. I gave him permission to take the coal two weeks before he did, but said I wanted him to wait until the weather

in the case it was closed and Attorney Taylor asked Judge Bradley to direct the jury to acquit the accused because no evi-dence had been produced to show that the roat had been taken with any guilty in

THE END OF A ROMANCE.

of acquittal.

a Divorce.

for six months. After that Ockstadt began to ill-treat long, white hair that grew at the back and sides of his head only. His skin seemed almost colorless. He opened the window and pulled in the shutters; his eirl wife, she claimed, and she finally applied for divorce, which Justice Cox

1-4 to 1-2d higher, lost that much before the close. English consols were up 7-16, Night Trains to New York. in the Northwest were heavy at 333 cars

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She Was a Reluctant Witness Against Alexander Groves.

CHARGE DISMISSED

Said She Gave Groves Permissio to Pawn Her Seal Skin Sacque Two Weeks Before He Took It, But Told Him to Wait Until the Weather Was Warm.

A case was tried yesterday afternoon in priminal court No. 2, before Judge Bradley, which resulted in the chagrin of a detective at his failure to make a case, and a sharp reprimand from the court for his unnecessary persistence.

The trial in question was that of Alexander Groves, indicted for the larcetry of a sealskin sacque, valued at \$300, from Mrs. Mary J. Bischoff, at present living at \$13 K street northwest, where the alleged larceny took place. Mrs. Bischoff was formerly the wife of the blind organist, whose skill is admired each Sunday, as he manipulates the keyboard in one of the ninent churches in this city. Marital troubles resulted in the professor's obtaining a divorce from his wife some years ago, and since that event Mrs. Bischoff has had a home independent of him.

During the last four years Alexander Groves has had a room in Mrs. Bischoff's home, at 813 K street, and it was developed in court yesterday that for landlady and lodger they got along amazingly well, and their friendship was so warm and steadfast that Groves, when he became short of cash, did not hesitate to request his landlady to pawn her diamonds, sealskin coat and other valuables to obtain money for him.

It came out during the trial yesterday that January 26 Groves made a request of that character, and that Mrs. Bischoff, appreciating the fact that sealskin in January is a comfortable garment to have, decilned to accede to the request. March 9, Groves again became in need of money and while his landlady was moving to her present home, he took the cherished scalskin sacque to a pawnshop and ob-tained a loan of \$40 on it. He gave the name of Graves to the pawnbroker and his address as 817 K street. There

Groves went to Baltimore, and Mrs. Bischoff, as soon as she missed the coat sent for a detective, and Joseph Barnes responded to the summons. Mrs. Bischoff informed him that she feared Groves had taken the coat, and Barnes persuaded her to obtain a warrant for his arrest.

The following day Groves telegraphed Mrs. Bischoff what he had done, and she

became warm."

After considerable testimony was given

tent. Judge Bradley replied: "I see nothing in this case but detective," and directed the jury to render a verdict

Judge Cox Grants a Youthful Wife

Mary J. Hahn, a pretty dark-haired girl f sixteen, ran away from her beme in this city March 12, 1895, with George Z Ockstadt, eighteen years old, and went to Rockville, Md., where they were married-They returned to the bride's home, told what they had done, and were forgiven. The youtnful couple began housekeeping at No. 763 D street northeast, and lived there been playing.

granted yesterday.

For the convenience of business men and others desiring to travel by night to New York, the B. & O. R. R. places a sleeping car at station, New Jersey avenue and C. street, where it can be occupied at anytim between 10 p. m. and midnight. The train arrives New York 6:52 a. m., but passen-gers can remain in the car undisturbed un-til 7:30. mh25:31

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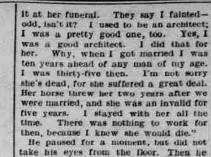
C. J. BELL, President.

man with the colorless face. Who was he, I argued, who could get such a feel ing out of music that I should stop in the rain and feel full in my chest? I, who thought I cared bothing for music; I, who thought I had no heart for any-thing but my own work. I had heard the march many times before and had been impressed by its solemnity, but that was all. I could even whistle the second part of it-but this old man; what was his secret? What was his

know why I starve, and I know what you think."

I asked him if he ever played outside and where he played. I had an idea that he might be an organist at some

playing it for her-my wife-they played sentile las



went on again:
"I spent almost all of my money for her, was very glad to do that. I had earned it for her.

G.Frederic Russell.

It was impossible for such a person

to escape the notice of his neighbors,

but I was surprised to find how little

was known about him. He was looked

upon as a miser. He lived with an old

colored woman, who did his work and had lived in this dreary little house

for a great many years. His name was

Landis, but it was not known that he

did anything but play on his organ and

I made it a point, after the rainy

night, when I first heard him play, al-

ways to pass his house going to and

from my rooms, and now and then when

I would hear his organ, I would stop

played. Being but newly come to the

six months after I first heard him play, I

was passing through his street whistling the middle part of the march when I sud-

dealy looked up at his windows and saw the old man looking at me. I stopped short

in my whistling and was ashamed of my-self because I had an indefinite idea that the

march belonged entirely to him and that I

was doing wrong to whistle it, especially

when he could hear me. But he looked at

me so pleasantly that I smiled back and

bowed to him, and he also nodded his

head. A few days later he was standing on

his steps as I was passing, and I nodded

to him again. I should have gone on, but

he looked as though he wished to speak to me, and I paused as I reached his steps.

"Come in," he said, after looking me

felt that I must know the man who

to the parior, for the organ was built up

the only one in the room, and he sat upon the organ bench and eyed me critically.

"You, too, have a sorrow. I knew you

"You knew I would comet" I exclaimed.

a crazy old miser, and then they forget the

He laughed a low laugh at my astenish-

ment that he had seen me. I studied him curiously. He was very old, not in years,

perhaps, but in misery and sorrow. Bis

skin was wax-like, and seemed transparent;

I almost thought that I could see his skull

through it. But the eye-there was the

the soul was eating up the body. What does a body amount to when one has a soul? I forgot that I was sitting in front

of him and was wondering why he was a miser when I realized that he was talking

Landis, What's yours?"

I told him.

and peeling off.

ing came

worked up to such a pitch that I made his playing, but he cut me off by laugh-up my mind to know all about the old ing aloud, his face beaming, reminding

"They do not know what love or sor-

"Perhaps you may understand." He ung around on the bench and started

o play his divine march. He straight-

ened up and seemed to fill out the clothes

When he stopped playing and softly

pushed in the stops, the spell was not broken; the spirit of the march was still

in the room, and when he swung round on the bench again, his face seemed to be

encircled in a halo of light. I forgot that I was in a dingy, little apartment, con-

taining no furniture but one chair and a

the walls, the paper on which was stained

"Can you blame me for starving for that?"

he asked, softly, when the time for speak

'No," I said, "I do not blame you."

There was another silence which h

disturbed by crossing the floor and throw-

sunlight into the room. I roused myself

ing the shutters wide open, letting the

and tried to say something in praise o

man! the body vanished. It seemed that

would come! I saw you under the tree

'Yes,' he said, and then led the way

"You like my march?" he asked.

I could get.

powerful piece.

over keenly.

That was all the information

"Do you know," he said, looking up at me, musingly, while he spoke very slowly, "she is always with me when I am playing, and I know she is not suffering. A first I'm afraid it had a bitterness in it for I could not be quite satisfied, though I knew I should have been glad at once she was in heaven. I sold the house we had and bought this, because I only had two hundred a year left. They cheated me in both selling and buying. But I didn't care much. I had enough left over to get a pretty good piano after paying my debta. I've bought three more planes since, and I've had this organ put in. It is very beautiful, is it not?"

I said it was. "It's very hard work, though, on two hundred a year-I can't eat very much. But I'm saving up now for the last time, and them-"

and listen to the march. It seemed to be the only piece the old man ever He broke off suddenly, and asked me if I should care to see his pianos. I said I should, for I wanted to move city, I had few acquaintances, and for that reason, if for none other, I derived considerable satisfaction from the around and shake myself together

The pianos were all over the house five of them-and he played the march on every one, beginning with the oldest and telling me how much starving each one had cost. Then he took me back to the organ, and played the march on it, exerting himself to bring out the contrast.

did," he said to me, "but he did not know it as I do-no one ever did. Some day I will write it down as I know it, and it will not be played on the plane any more." nodded my head and said "yes,"

but I could not agree with him. He could write it down, yes; but who was thee to play it as he played it? Who else could sacrifice his world for the pleasure of one march?

I said I did, very much, and wondered how he knew that I had heard him play. When I went to see him again about a week later I thought that he looked a little thinner, if it were possible, but he seemed greatly pleased at sight of me. "I hope I'm not disturbing you," I said, apologetically, "but I've heard your He did not seem inclined to play, but wanted to talk. He apparently had some-thing important to tell. He left me in march several times from the outside and the parior and slipped quietly away after putting his finger to his lips cautioning silence. I was at my wits' ends to make out the reason for his mysterious actions. Something unusual had happened or was going to happen-that was plain. The "Take a chair," he said, pointing to parlor showed that a change for the worse had taken place in it. Where there had been a chair and a stool before there was only a stool now and the one engraving

was gone. "She's eating in the kitchen," the old in the storm. But why didn't you come man said when he reappeared, speaking in a whisper, "Who's in the kitchen?" I asked. "Yes, of course; they all do. They find

"Sh! she'll hear you-Millie's there, enting sausages. She says she won't starve any more. But she don't starve-I could never keep her from eating three times a day. I eat only once now. She sells my things because I don't give her money. She shan't get the money, though, and I won't want any of the things in six months.

"But why don't you give her money to buy food for you both? What do you want to save for now, when you have such an organ?" I questioned. He seated himself upon the organ bench

and played a few bars. row is; everything is earth to them. They "Did you ever hear of the organ in Albert hall?" he asked, presently, his eyes looked at my house and my body and said I am a fool, and they went away. My name's glistening as he spoke. I nodded my head.

"I'm going to London to play on it," he said, "and that's why I'm saving my money. It has 10,000 pipes-10,000 pipes! Think of it! And nearly 150 stops. I will play my march on it. My dear old marchthat hung loosely on him before; his arms I hope some one will play it for me when I seemed strong and active. The player and am dead. Think of it; 10,000 pipest I will the emaciated old man were two separate play on the big organ, and then I shall be

(To be concluded.)

Sudden Death of Rev. Levi H. York. Rev. Levi H. York, a well-known retired Methodist clergyman, residing at No 820 1-2 H street northeast, died sudden! it 8:30 yesterday morning.

He was a prominent member of the G. A. R., having served as captain of a New York regiment during the late war, and was also prominent in Masonic circles, having been prelate of Columbia Command ery, Knights Templar, No. 2; also a member of Armory Lodge, No. 17.

Printers Examined for Appointment. The examination room of the Civil Service Commission was crowded vesterday with applicants for positions in the Government Printing Office. The examination was held to fill the list of persons eligible for places as compositors, pressmen, bookbinders of proofreaders should any such positions be come vacant during the ensuing year.



sistent thing a hu man being is. Men go with dread through narrow, noisome streets, They walk wide of the corners, and

through narrow, noisome streets, They walk wide of the corners, and look frequently over their shoulders. And the things of which they are most afraid are perhaps a hundred times less deadly than the little, insignificant, invisible germs, the bacilli of consumption. This is the thing that causes more deaths than all the wars and pestilences. This is the thing that causes more deaths than all the wars and pestilences. This is the thing that causes more deaths than all the wars and pestilences. This is the thing that causes one-sixth of all the deaths in the world. It finds easy lodgment in a body made weak by wasting sickness or debility from lack of proper nourishment. Impure blood is a fertile resting and breeding place for them.

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me of a baby with a new toy which some one has taken the pains to admire. "Don't say anything," he said. "You

church. "Why, don't you know?" he asked, appearing astonished, and then he said: "No, of course you don't know. I'm